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REMARKS

The Examiner is respectfully requested to return copies of the Forms PTO/SB/08A filed on December 1, 2003 and the Form PTO/SB/08A filed on November 4, 2004, and to indicate thereon that the cited publications were considered and made of record.

Restriction was required under 35 USC 121 as follows:

Group I. Claims 1 to 54 and 59 to 63, drawn to compounds of formula (I) and their compositions; and

Group II. Claims 55 to 58, drawn to methods of using compounds according to claim 1.

Applicants elect Group I (Claims 1 to 54 and 59 to 63).

In item No. 3 on page 3 of the Office Action, applicants were required to elect a species.

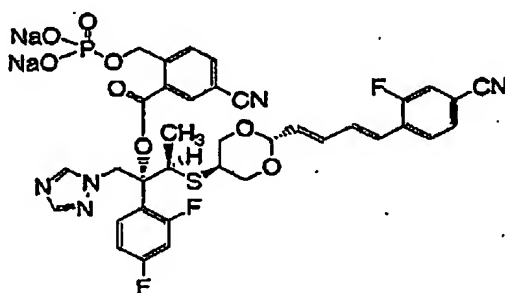
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Applicants elect Example 5 (Claim 60).

Example 5

Disodium 4-cyano-2[[[(1R,2R)-2-[[trans-2-[(1E,3E)-4-(4-cyano-2-fluorophenyl)-1,3-butadienyl]-1,3-dioxan-5-yl]thio]-1-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-1-[(1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)methyl]propoxy]carbonyl]benzyl phosphate (Disodium Salt of Example Number 5-16)



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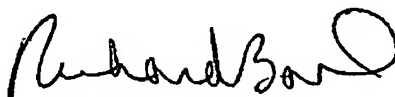
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the Restriction Requirement is not consistent therewith, it is respectfully traversed.

If, however, the Restriction Requirement is maintained, then taking into consideration that there are generic claims, it is respectfully requested that the provisions of 37 CFR 1.141(a) and the procedure set forth in MPEP 806.04(d) be followed, which provide that once a claim that is determined to be generic is allowed, all of the claims drawn to species, in addition to the elected species, which include all of the limitations of the generic claim, should be allowed.

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,



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